

CENTRISCUS SCOLOPAX.

CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Caput productum in rostrum angustissimum :

Os edentulum, maxilla inferiore longiore.

Branchiarum apertura repanda.

Corpus compressum, abdomine carinato.

Pinnæ ventrales unitæ.

Lin. Syst. Nat. Gmel. p. 1460.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

CENTRISCUS rubescens, corpore squamoso
scabro, cauda recta extensa.

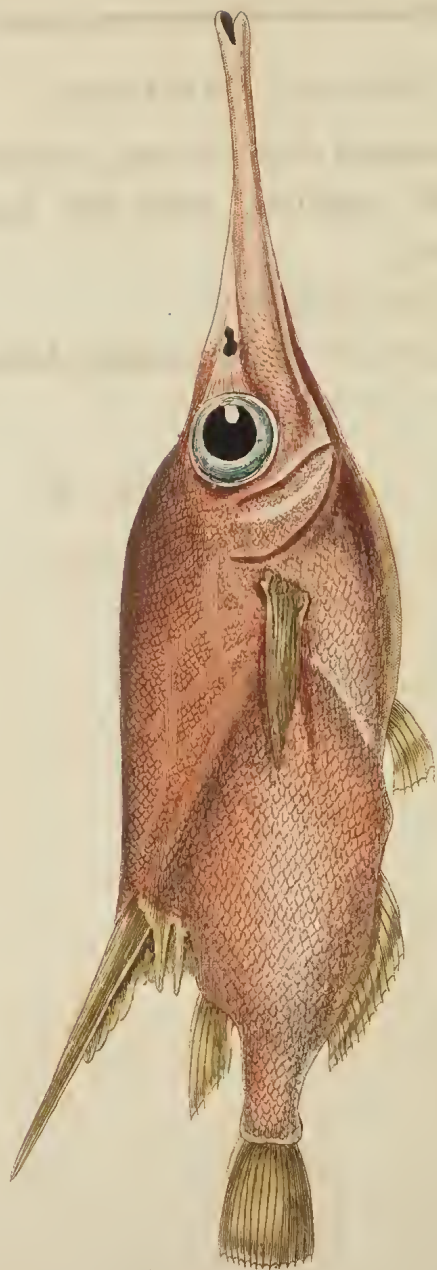
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moso scabro, cauda recta extensa.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 415.

Solenostomus rostro trientem totius piscis
æquante.

Khlein Misc. Pisc. 4. p. 24.

In mari Mediterraneo generatur Centriscus Scolopax. Crescere solet in longitudinem quinque vel sex unciarum, vermesque et insecta minora marina prædari.



THE
SCALY CENTRISCUS.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Head produced into a very narrow snout.

Mouth toothless, with the lower jaw longest.

Gill-Openings wide.

Body compressed, with carinated abdomen.

Ventral fins united.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

Reddish CENTRISCUS, with rough, scaly body, and strait tail.

Der Schneppenfisch.

Bloch. ichth. t. 123. f. 1.

The Trumpet or Bellows-Fish.

Will. ichth. p. 160.

The scaly Centriscus or Bellows-Fish is a native of the Mediterranean sea, and grows to the length of five or six inches: it feeds on worms, and the smaller kind of marine insects.